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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NIZARD et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1617

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Examiner: L. Wells

For:

COSMETIC COMPOSITION COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE SUBSTANCE PROMOTING THE FORMATION OF CONNEXIN, USE

AND METHOD OF COSMETIC TREATMENT

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the official communication mailed on March 12, 2003. The one month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 12, 2003; thus a petition for a three-month extension of time and check therefor are being filed herewith, extending the deadline for filing the response to July 12, 2003. Therefore, this response should be considered timely filed.

In response to the Election/Restriction please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

AMENDMENT

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